IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

In re Application of: : Group Art Unit:

B. GIORA, et al.

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Before calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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<u>In Claims</u>:

Claim 4, line 1, delete "or claim 3".

Claim 5, line 1, change "any preceding claim" to --claim 1--.

Claim 6, line 2, change "any preceding claim" to --claim 1--.

Claim 7, lines 2-3, change "any of claims 1 to 5" to --claim 1--.

Claim 8, line 2, change "any of claims 1 to 5" to --claim 1--.

REMARKS

Multiple dependency has been eliminated. Please enter this amendment before calculation of the filing fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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